

CALAMITY IN A MINE.

Twenty-One Killed and Eight Injured By an Explosion.

The Dead and Injured Victims Were Horribly Burned and Mutilated, Some of Them Almost Beyond Recognition.

Oskaloosa, Ia., Jan. 25.—As a result of a terrible mine disaster at Lost creek, 21 dead are in an improvised morgue and eight are in a temporary hospital.

The explosion occurred at noon and was what is known as a dust explosion. The miners had just fired their usual noon shots, one of which proved to be a fizzle. The burning powder ignited the gas and the explosion followed. Smoke and debris were blown out of the shaft 200 feet high. Part of the top works were torn away and the fans and cages were partially wrecked. This made the work of rescue very slow and it was 3 o'clock before volunteer parties dared to venture into the east entrance, where the explosion occurred.

When they fought their way in a horrible sight greeted them. The dead and injured were terribly burned and mutilated, some of them almost beyond recognition. Fire which, it was first feared, would destroy the entire mine, had broken out and this added terror to the spectacle. The flames were finally controlled, and after several of the rescue party had succumbed to the fumes, all the dead were found and carried to the top of the shaft.

At the time of the explosion more than 100 men were in the mines, but all those except the men in the east entry escaped with only slight injury. The total property damage will be about \$10,000.

When the last of the dead was taken out the scenes of anguish among the families of the men were most pitiful. Nearly all of the men were married and leave families in poor circumstances. The mine is owned by the Lost Creek Fuel Co., of this city, and has been in operation about one year.

NEW PHILIPPINE COINS.

Sketches Shown the House Insular Committee By Mint Director.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Sketches of the new Philippine coins, as proposed by the Philippine commission, were shown to the members of the house insular committee by Director of the Mint Roberts. They show a Philippine design with a native head and wording on one side, while the reverse side shows an American emblem and the wording in English. Mr. Roberts was heard concerning the needs of a revision of the Philippine currency as proposed, in the Lodge and Cooper bills.

PAYMASTER'S MESSENGER.

Arrested Charged With Stealing Government Funds.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 25.—J. H. Alexander, a colored messenger in the office of Maj. P. C. Stevens, paymaster of the United States army, was arrested for the second time by a secret service agent on the charge of stealing government funds amounting to \$4,769, which mysteriously disappeared from the satchel of Maj. Stevens November 8 last as he was leaving this city for Pensacola, Fla., to pay off the garrison there. The Negro was committed to jail for trial next Monday.

ADM. SCHLEY'S APPEAL.

The President Referred It to the Navy Department For "Comment."

Washington, Jan. 25.—The president has referred Adm. Schley's appeal to the navy department for "comment." This is the technical term employed in naval law to designate a reply in the nature of a criticism to any presentation. If charges are lodged against an officer they are referred to him in order that he may "comment" upon them and his reply is known legally by that name. It is understood that the preparation of this comment will consume about two weeks.

Lake Erie and Ohio Canal Bill. Washington, Jan. 25.—The Dalkell bill, contemplating a canal connecting Lake Erie and the Ohio river, was referred to a special committee of the house committee on rivers and harbors and another committee was appointed to consider the bill of Mr. Mudd, of Maryland, for government acquisition of the Delaware and Chesapeake canal.

Maj. J. H. McArthur Dead.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—Maj. Joseph H. McArthur, U. S. A., is dead at his residence here. He was born at St. Genevieve, Mo., in 1825, and was graduated from West Point in 1845. During the civil war he served with the army of the Potomac and took part in several engagements.

Prince Henry Wanted in Atlanta. Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 25.—A meeting of representative citizens will be held Monday to officially invite Prince Henry to visit Atlanta. It is understood a committee will be named to go to Washington at the proper time and urge the distinguished visitor to come.

Hobson Turned Down.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The naval retiring board declined to recommend Capt. Richmond P. Hobson for retirement. Hobson had applied to be retired from active service, having alleged failing eyesight as the reason.

THE TREATY SIGNED.

Danish West Indian Islands Ceded to the United States.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The treaty of cession of the Danish West Indian islands from Denmark to the United States was signed at the state department by Secretary Hay and Constantine Bruun, the Danish minister.

The new treaty is peculiar in that it will require action, not only by the senate and the Danish rigsdag, but by the United States house of representatives as well, since it will be necessary for the house to supply the needed appropriation to defray the expense of purchase. It is regarded as a strong point by the framers of the treaty that the people of the Danish West Indian islands are to have a voice in this question of cession. The treaty itself does not contain any reference to a plebiscite, but the Danish government has given notice that before it ratifies the treaty it will submit the question of cession to the people of the islands. Not much objection is expected here from these people as the treaty is so framed that they are not called on to surrender their Danish allegiance, and they may remain Danes in fact and name, while enjoying whatever advantages in a commercial way may result from a transfer of the islands to the United States. The plebiscite will not be controlled in any sense by the United States. It is stated distinctly that the Danish government itself will take steps to ascertain the inclinations of the people of the islands before the final steps in the transfer are taken.

St. Thomas, the largest of the islands, is formed by a chain of high hills running east and west. It is 13 miles long and measures three miles at its greatest width and contains an area of 17 square miles; population about 12,000. The sea surrounding this island is filled with small islets, called keys, which belong to it. About two miles to the northeast lies the island of St. John, and some 40 miles to the south is the third island, St. Croix; population 25,000; it is perhaps better known as Santa Cruz. The port of St. Thomas is a good one and it is stated that 200 vessels can anchor there with safety. The islands are considered of great strategic importance. The initial efforts to secure them were begun by the United States during President Grant's first administration. The consideration is about \$4,000,000.

A BIG RAID MADE.

Several Notorious Resorts Closed Up and 32 Prisoners Locked Up.

New York, Jan. 25.—A raid of unusual proportions was made by nearly 100 policemen on the Bowery. Several notorious resorts were closed and 32 prisoners locked up. The large number of policemen on the scene prevented any outbreak of violence and there was little difficulty in getting the prisoners to police stations. The raids foreshadow the doom of the Bowery, for they mark the preliminary step in the wholesale cleaning of that somewhat famous thoroughfare. In nearly every raid the proprietor of the resort was arrested.

REVOLUTIONISTS DEFEATED.

It Is Reported That Gen. Herrez's Force Met With a Reverse.

Panama, Jan. 25.—A report has reached here that the forces under the Colombian general, Castro, had an engagement with the troops with the revolutionary leader, Gen. Herrez, in the neighborhood of Agua Dulce, in the vicinity of Las Tablas, on the Azuro peninsula, southwest of Panama, in which the revolutionary forces were defeated. Confirmation of the report is awaited.

WHY HE SUCCEEDED.

Stole Money to Start Business and His Girl Refused to Marry Him.

St. Louis, Jan. 25.—Julius F. Yaeger, Jr., aged 26, chagrined because a St. Louis girl refused to marry him after he was known to have stolen money from his employers, hanged himself in his father's barn at Oakville, St. Louis county. Yaeger took \$2,230 which he laid by to start in business with. His sweetheart would have nothing to do with him and he hanged himself.

Wholesale Grocery Store Gutted.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 25.—Fire totally gutted the large wholesale grocery establishment of Michael & Lyons. The grocers occupied the ground floor of the building and the two upper stories were occupied by cotton factors as offices and warehouses. Loss will amount to \$50,000.

Battling Against Social Evils.

London, Jan. 25.—Lady Cook, who was Tennessee Clavin, has announced her determination of devoting the bulk of her fortune to the establishment of schools and other institutions with the object of resuming the battle against social evils which she formerly waged in the United States.

Business Failures for the Week.

New York, Jan. 25.—Business failures in the United States for the week number 292, as against 291 last week, 281 in this week last year, 252 in 1900, 246 in 1899 and 288 in 1898. Canadian failures for the week number 34, as against 35 last week.

Feelings of Resentment.

Guayaquil, Ecuador (via Galveston, Tex.), Jan. 25.—There are feelings of resentment against Chili for having permitted the steamship Lantaro to get into the possession of the Colombian conservative government.

GOV. GEN. WM. H. TAFT.

He Tells of the Conditions in the Philippines.

Natives Are Developing An Affection For American Institutions and Are Becoming Valuable Members of the Community.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—William H. Taft, civil governor of the Philippine islands, arrived in Chicago Sunday afternoon from San Francisco. He was met at the depot by President S. M. Felton, of the Chicago & Alton railroad, and went at once to Mr. Felton's residence where he spent the day.

Gov. Taft left at 9 o'clock Sunday night for Cincinnati. It was his intention to hurry to Washington on Tuesday, but the death of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Herron, caused him to alter his plans and it will be several days before he reaches the capital. In an interview Gov. Taft said:

"The only answer I have to make to the ideas of individual observers who declare that the true condition in the Philippines is being concealed, or that we are hugging delusions of peace that can never be brought about is that the government is concealing nothing and that its conclusions are not based on wild theories, but substantial facts."

This was the reply Gov. Taft made to a statement published by Stephen Bonsal, declaring that desperate opposition was still being encountered in the field and that the natives are irreconcilable and better organized than before the capture of Aguinaldo.

"As a matter of fact," he added, "the members of distrust are being kept alive by sensationalists, who seize on every petty point and seek to twist it into some horrible barbarity of our government in the islands. Take, for instance, the talk about concentration camps. Although I am not sufficiently well acquainted with the full military plans to speak with absolute authority, I can say that the whole subject is much misunderstood by our people."

"As a matter of fact, there has never been any thought of establishing 'concentration camps' in the ordinary acceptance of the term. All that has been proposed is an insurgent condition, the establishment of a dead line into which will gradually be drawn all the remnants of insurrection that exist."

"The non-combatants of the islands have never, even at the hardest period of the war, received anything but the utmost kindness and consideration at our hands, and it is hardly probable that this policy will be reversed now that the opposition is fast drawing to a close."

The governor believes that only existing opposition to authority are those who form the Hong Kong junta, most of whom were formerly residents of the coffee growing province of Batangas.

"It is in this province that we are now meeting with our only difficulty. My statements concerning the close of the rebellion are not 'optimistic' in the sense that they are overdrawn. They are based on nothing but plain facts."

"The natives are rapidly developing an affection for our institutions and a large number of former insurgents have become valuable members of the community, fully worthy of any trust that may be reposed in them. The coming elections will develop the real progress in this direction, and I am certain that the result will be gratifying."

SUDDEN SUMMONS.

Mrs. J. W. Herron, Mother of Mrs. Gov. Gen. Taft, Expired.

Cincinnati, Jan. 27.—Death came suddenly Saturday to Mrs. John W. Herron, the wife of the well-known attorney of that name, at her residence in 305 Pike street. For some time Mrs. Herron had been ill, and recently her heart failed, an attack coming suddenly Saturday from which she was unable to rally.

She was the mother of Mrs. William H. Taft, the wife of Gov. Taft, of the Philippines, who were on their way home to this city.

PRISONERS ESCAPE.

One of Them Is Dead and Jailer N. D. Knapton Was Injured.

Fort Smith, Ark., Jan. 27.—The prisoners in the county jail attempted to escape at noon Sunday. One man, Jesse Jones, a Negro, charged with forgery, was killed in a fight, and the jailer, N. D. Knapton, was injured. Harry Polson, Samuel Blaine and Andy Rogers, all charged with grand larceny, succeeded in getting away. Bloodhounds are on the trail of the escaped prisoners.

Died From the Effects of a Carbuncle.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 27.—Capt. Henry Goss, aged 62, a veteran of the civil war and a prominent business man in this city, died Sunday from the effects of a carbuncle.

Kruger's American Tour.

London, Jan. 27.—A correspondent at Brussels says in a dispatch that Mr. Kruger has received fresh invitations from Chicago, New York and Philadelphia to visit these cities, and that he will probably start upon an American tour next April.

To Improve Harbor of Iloilo.

Manila, Jan. 27.—The United States Philippine commission has appropriated \$5,000 for improving the harbor of Iloilo and \$2,000 to be expended on the Cagayan river, in Northern Luzon.

ADM. SCHLEY IN CHICAGO.

The Naval Hero Was Greeted With a Tumultuous Acclaim.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—Rr. Adm. W. S. Schley arrived in Chicago at 9:30 a. m. Saturday, and was greeted with a tumultuous acclaim from thousands of people, who crowded the Baltimore & Ohio depot and thronged near-by streets for blocks. The day for the admiral was a round of receptions, at each of which he expressed his gratitude for tokens of esteem and approbation.

Visitors were denied Adm. Schley Sunday and he was given ample time to rest after Saturday's arduous programme. After breakfast in their apartments at the Auditorium, Adm. and Mrs. Schley, in company with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Munger, at 11 o'clock attended services at Trinity Episcopal church. When the service ended the congregation stood in line at the door and as Adm. Schley passed out he shook hands with them right and left.

Monday the admiral was kept busy from early morning until late at night. Commencing at 9:30 a. m. he visited the Winfield Scott Schley school, where he delivered a short speech. At 11 a. m. he was presented with resolutions from the German societies of Chicago. The presentation took place in Memorial hall. At noon he lunched with E. A. Munger, president of the Hamilton club, and a few others. The rest of the day's programme follows:

At 2 p. m. reception to Adm. and Mrs. Schley by the Maryland society of Chicago at the Palmer house. At 3 p. m. great public reception at the Auditorium to which all Chicagoans are invited. At 5 p. m. termination of reception. At 6 p. m. dinner with the officers of the Illinois naval militia. At 8 p. m. review of first ship's crew of the Illinois naval militia at the armory in Michigan avenue.

TAKEN PRISONER.

Lord Kitchener Tells of the Capture of Gen. Viljoen.

London, Jan. 27.—A report sent by Lord Kitchener, in Johannesburg, tells of the important capture of Gen. B. Viljoen, in the neighborhood of Lydenburg, Transvaal colony, as well as the capture of small parties of Boers elsewhere.

The capture of Gen. Viljoen, who was Gen. Botha's most able lieutenant, and who has given the British a deal of trouble, has created lively satisfaction in London.

Pretoria, Jan. 27.—Col. Wilson captured 20 Boers near Frankfort, in Orange River colony, last Saturday. He was preparing at dawn the next day to move away with his captives when a superior force of Boers made a desperate effort to recapture the prisoners. A hot fight ensued, in which all but three of the prisoners escaped and in which a few men were killed or wounded on both sides.

MANILA EXPOSITION.

A Director of the Federal Party Endeavoring to Inaugurate One.

Manila, Jan. 27.—Felipe Buencamino, one of the directors of the federal party, is endeavoring to inaugurate an exhibition of commerce to be held next December. He relies mainly upon exhibits from the United States, China, Japan, Siam and Borneo. The merchants of Manila are inclined to think that this exhibition should be delayed another year yet, if sufficient support is promised the United States Philippine commission will be asked to assist in carrying out the idea.

FAMOUS MONASTERY BURNED.

Nine Monks Perished and 20 Others Were Seriously Injured.

London, Jan. 27.—Telegraphing from Vienna, the correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says that the newspapers of Athens report that the celebrated Saint Paul monastery, on Mount Athos, was burned last Thursday night. The prior and nine monks perished and 20 others were seriously injured. The occupants of the monastery were sleeping when the fire broke out, according to the Athens papers, and the monastery itself was damaged to the extent of £80,000.

An interchange of Freight.

Pittsburg, Jan. 27.—Brinton, or Port Perry, just above Braddock, is to be made the point for the central connection for the interchange of freight between the Pennsylvania railroad main line and the Baltimore & Ohio, and the Pittsburg, Virginia & Charleston roads.

King of the Speedway.

New York, Jan. 27.—Mr. Gerken's gelding The Monk (2:08½) was crowned the champion trotter of the Speedway for 1901 at a meeting of the executive committee of Road Drivers' association.

A Knockout.

St. Louis, Jan. 27.—At the St. Louis rowing club Lou Friedman, of Rochester, N. Y., was Sunday knocked out by Andy Stevenson, of St. Louis, in the first round of a ten-round match.

Noted Guide and Pathfinder Dying.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Jan. 27.—George Rea, a noted guide and pathfinder, is dying in a log cabin on Snake river. Rea was one of the first men to explore Yellowstone park, and is often referred to as the Daniel Boone of Wyoming.

Body Turned to Stone.

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 27.—Former Federal Judge Elmer S. Dundy's body has turned to stone. The remains were taken to New York city for burial a few days ago, and required the strength of seven men to move them.

THE LATE PRESIDENT.

Memorial Services Held at Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul.

A Collection For the McKinley Memorial Fund Was Taken Up By the Congregations—National Holiday Advocated.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—At many of the churches special McKinley memorial services were held Sunday. In some of the churches, where no special services were held, the life of the late president was eulogized by the ministers in preludes to their sermons and by incidental mention. Special collections for the McKinley memorial were also taken at many of the churches.

At the First Methodist Episcopal church Rev. Dr. Charles Bayard Mitchell made his morning service a McKinley memorial. He said that it was especially appropriate that the Methodist church should eulogize his memory because he was its most conspicuous member. Dr. Mitchell reviewed the president's boyhood and said he had received a solid Christian training from his mother. Dr. Mitchell said that Mr. McKinley did not follow his religion mechanically, but gave it his sincerest attention.

Dr. Mitchell said Mr. McKinley's death was a beautiful example of Christian resignation and heroism; not a complaint from the time of the first shot until his eyes closed in death.

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 27.—McKinley memorial services were held in many of the Milwaukee churches Sunday in all of which high tributes were paid to the memory of the late president. A feature of the services was the advocating by Rev. George H. Ide, pastor of the Grand Avenue Congregational church, of another national holiday to commemorate the birth of William McKinley. Dr. Ide said in part:

"Shall we begrudge another anniversary day when we turn aside and put into the foreground of our thought the remembrance of the immortal Lincoln? What we call material wealth is but the shadow of men. Our richest treasures, our finest products, are the men that have become identified with our national life. When we take a day off to celebrate their anniversaries we are simply making an inventory of the values which they have bequeathed to posterity. Collections for the memorial fund were taken up in many of the churches.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 27.—A majority of the churches in this city united in holding a joint service in memory of the late President McKinley. The service held at the People's church Sunday afternoon was largely attended. Addresses were made by Gov. Van Sant and others. A collection for the McKinley memorial fund was taken up.

NEW HOME FOR THE PRESIDENT.

A Structure May Be Erected to Cost About \$7,000,000.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Senator Fairbanks, chairman of the senate committee on buildings and grounds, has practically decided to urge a new executive building for the use of the president, with his business offices; for the state department and the department of justice. The size of the president's family has practically forced this departure on the government. There is not room in the present white house for the comfortable accommodation of the president. The new structure is to eclipse the beauty of the congressional library and will cost about \$7,000,000.

A TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION.

The German Societies Will Parade in Honor of Prince Henry.

New York, Jan. 27.—Representatives of the various German societies of New York city met Sunday afternoon to further consider plans for the reception of Prince Henry. It was decided that there should be a torchlight procession on the evening of February 26, the same evening on which the newspaper men of the country will meet the prince at dinner. It was announced that Dr. Von Holleben had given his sanction to the procession. It is estimated that more than 30,000 marchers will be in line, and Prince Henry will review the parade from the building of the Arion society, 59th street and Park avenue.

COLOMBIAN DISPATCH BOAT.

Two Shots Fired at It From the Revolutionary Gunboat.

Panama, Colombia, Jan. 27.—A small gasoline launch belonging to the government and named the Gen. Campo, bearing important dispatches for the Colombian Gen. Castro, was sighted by the revolutionary fleet near Rio Grande, off the coast of Agua Dulce, southwest of Panama. Two shots were fired at the Gen. Campo from the revolutionary gunboat Padilla and the former was obliged to return here.

An American League Franchise Sold.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—The St. Louis American league franchise was sold Sunday by Matt and Henry Killilea, of Milwaukee, to R. L. Hedges, who represents a number of St. Louis capitalists. The price paid was not made public.

Valuable Treasure Found.

Peking, Jan. 27.—Chinese officials have found treasure to the value of over 100,000,000 taels in gold and silver, which was buried in the women's quarter of the palace before the court fled from Peking.

Efficacious.
"Can't something be done, Maria," whispered the host, "to make the time pass more quickly?"
"Try," whispered the hostess.
Then, turning to those near her, she said, in a voice loud enough to be heard throughout the room, "in about half an hour from now Miss Howler will favor the company with a song.—Chicago Tribune.

The Qualified Critic.

Big School Girl—Ain't you got no grammar yet?
Little School Girl—Nope, not till next year.
"Why, gracious, I've took grammar two hull years a'ready!"—Detroit Free Press.

Miles of Potatoes.

Everybody knows that the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., are the largest seed potato growers in the world, so when their President, Henry A. Salzer, recently purchased 21,000 acres more of ideal potato land, all wondered what for. Well, it is for potatoes—miles and miles of potatoes.

Silver and gold are not the only coin; virtue, too, passes current all over the world.—Euripides.

To Cure a Cold in One Day
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

A capacity for great enjoyment is invariably accompanied by a capacity for great suffering.—Town Topics.

Piso's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—J. W. O'Brien, 322 Third Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1900.

Reputation is a bubble hard to blow out, but easily burst.—Chicago Daily News.

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES color silk, wool or cotton perfectly at one boiling.

There is no education like adversity.—Disraeli.

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